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SUBJECT: RESTAFFING CONSULAR SECTION AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

REF: (A) DAMASCUS 829, (B) STATE 026884, (C) DAMASCUS 830,
(D) DAMASCUS 936

1. EMBASSY VEHICLES DEPARTING FRIDAY AFTERNOON FEB 11 AND SATURDAY MORNING FEB 12 TO PICK UP STAPLETON AT DAMASCUS. UNDERSTAND DAMASCUS' WORKLOAD PROBLEM (REF A). RECOMMEND STAPLETON PLAN TO RETURN TO BEIRUT WITH HAJJ ONLY. AS BEIRUT NIV OPERATIONS RELIEVE PRESSURE ON DAMASCUS, MRS. JAMAL CAN RETURN AT LATER DATE. EMBASSY WILL DISCUSS ADDITIONAL STAFFING REQUIREMENTS AND RELATED FSL EMPLOYMENT ISSUES WITH STAPLETON UPON HIS ARRIVAL BEIRUT.

2. PER DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST REF B, BEIRUT HAS REVIEWED ITS RESTAFFING PLAN AND CONCLUDES THAT THE EMBASSY'S APPROACH IS IN BEST INTEREST OF FSL'S AFFECTED AND RESUMPTION OF POST PROGRAMS. POST IS OPEN TO DISCUSSING SCHEDULED RETURN OF FSL'S WITH EXPERIENCED AMERICAN CONSULAR OFFICERS. WITH STAPLETON AT POST, DISCUSSIONS WILL CONTINUE WITH RECORD AT HAND AND UNINCUMBERED BY DISTANCE AND COMMUNICATIONS DIFFICULTIES. BEIRUT APPRECIATES THE SENTIMENTS EXPRESSED REF A; HOWEVER,
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DAMASCUS AND SUPPORTING SISTER POST MUST REALIZE THAT THERE WILL BE A "WORKLOAD STRESS" PERIOD DURING THE INTERIM, WHEN BEIRUT FSL'S LEAVE THEIR TDY POSTS AND EMBASSY BEIRUT IS ABLE TO HANDLE ITS COMPLETE CONSULAR WORKLOAD. HOPEFULLY, THESE PERIODS OF STRESS WILL BE BRIEF. ALL POSTS CONCERNED CAN REST ASSURED THAT THEIR INTEREST WILL BE KEPT IN MIND AS BEIRUT PROCEEDS WITH RESUMING

NORMAL CONSULAR ACTIVITIES.

3. SUPPLIES REQUESTED REF D ENROUTE DAMASCUS THIS DATE.
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